

REMARKS

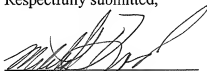
Claims 1-4, 13-15, and 20-22 are pending in the application, including new claims 20-22.

The Examiner has requested clarification of claims 1 and 6. Claims 1 and 6 have been clarified to address this request.

It is believed that all objections and rejections in the application have been addressed and that the present application is in condition for allowance. A favorable reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims is solicited. If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this and concurrent replies to charge payment (or credit any overpayment) to Deposit Account No. 50-2298 for any additional required fees.

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Respectfully submitted,



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